GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION
LOK SABHA

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BPL FAMILIES IN DAMAN DIU
DAHYA BHAI V. PATEL

Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have received any representation from the Union Territory of Daman and Diu requesting for relaxation in the criteria fixed for identification of BPL families;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SH KRISHNAM RAJU)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b)&(c): The Daman & Diu Administration has informed that they have undertaken a Survey for identification of BPL families in line with the contents of the PDS Control Order, 2001.They have requested that the same list of BPL families may be approved for the purpose of implementation of the Poverty Alleviation Programmes of the Government through District Rural Development Agency and District Urban Development Agency, Daman and Diu.

The Below Poverty Line (BPL) Census are conducted by the Government in rural areas of the country in the beginning of each Five Year Plan period, through the State Governments/Union Territory Administrations, for identification of BPL families. The methodology and criteria for identification of these beneficiaries are finalized after taking into account the recommendations of an Expert Group constituted for the purpose.